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In re Application of:

James Templeton, et al Application No. 09/901,954

Filed: July 10, 2001

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR VERIFYING A

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT

**DECISION ON** 

PETITION TO

MAKE SPECIAL

(Pre-First Action

Interview)

This is a decision on applicant's petition filed August 19, 2004, to have this application made Special under MPEP 708.02 and the request for a Pre-First Office interview.

The petition and request meets the requirements of 37 CFR 1.102 and the Pilot Program announced March 31, 2004, and consequently, they are both granted.

This application is being forwarded to the examiner assigned to the case, who will call applicant within sixty days of the mailing of this decision to arrange for an interview which may be in person or by telephone. If you have not heard from the examiner within that time period, please contact the undersigned at 703 308-1020.

The examiner will prepare and have a First Office Action ready for mailing within thirty days of the date of the Interview.

John J. Love, Director Technology Center 3600

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